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GREETINGS FROM THE STATE COMMITTEE OF PSYCHOLOGISTS



Renee Stucky, PhD, ABPP
CHAIR OF COMMITTEE

Greetings from the members of the State Committee of Psychologists. I hope this finds you all well in the midst of what remain difficult and uncertain times. We know that the only constant is change and, unfortunately, these last few years have reinforced this exponentially. Change is necessary and challenging and necessary for survival, adaptation, and growth to meet the ever-changing advancements and demands. Yet, change is also stressful, anxiety-provoking, tiresome and, at times, just plain annoying. Yet, there is no stopping the need to plan for, cope with and adjust to changes. I find myself thinking about how to best strive and thrive amid endless transformation.

In terms of a welcome change since the publication of the last SCOP Newsletter a year ago, two new members have been appointed to the Committee, Dr. Gabriel Kline and Dr. Ann Rost. You will learn more about Dr. Kline and Dr. Rost within this Newsletter. The Committee has been operating with bare minimum of members for some time; the addition of our two newest members is highly welcomed and exciting.

Although my intent is to keep this article brief, I did wish to mention one significant change in our profession that is likely coming, and that is APA's initiative to pursue the licensing of psychologists at the master's level. This is a complicated issue without simple solutions. APA held a virtual town hall a few months ago on this issue which highlighted notably diverse opinions in the profession. APA Board of Professional Affairs (BPA) has assembled a working group to recommend on appropriate MA title and scope in HSP. SCOP will be keeping abreast of this issue, as well as the many national and state related training and practice issues which impact the practice of psychology in Missouri.

Expectantly, this New Year, as the current year, will bring uncharted waters and I again, encourage all of us to be open to new ideas, be creative in the face of challenges and to continue to actively care for ourselves as we continue to help others in their challenges and healing. In closing, SCOP Board Members and staff reiterate our goal to serve the citizens of Missouri by ensuring the competent and ethical practice of all psychologists, as well as continue to oversee and manage the process of those seeking licensure in our state.

Wishing you all very merry and bright holidays!

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We have vacancies on the Committee. If you or someone you know is interested in serving on the Committee, go to <https://boards.mo.gov> for more information or to apply for an appointment.

SAY WELCOME TO OUR NEW FACES!

On December 15, 2020, Governor Michael Parson appointed Ann Rost, Ph.D. and Gabriel Cline, Ph.D. to the State Committee of Psychologists. We welcome them to the Committee and are excited to add their experience and expertise.



ANN ROST, PH.D.

Dr. Rost completed her doctoral training in Clinical Psychology with a Health Specialty at the University of Kansas. She interned at the University of Chicago Medical Center working in a Psycho-Oncology setting and a multidisciplinary Anxiety Disorders clinic. Dr. Rost then coordinated psychological services in the Gynecological Oncology section of the Siteman Cancer Center at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, Missouri. Since 2003, Dr. Rost has been a professor at Missouri State University. In addition to teaching and conducting research, she continues to be involved in clinical practice.



Gabriel Cline, PH.D.

Dr. Cline obtained his Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology from the University of Nebraska in 2009 after working as a school counselor and then as a Licensed Professional Counselor in a private practice. He completed his pre-doctoral internship at the University of Tennessee Student Counseling Services. Upon entering the field, Dr. Cline was employed at Neuropsychological Associates of Southwest Missouri and as the Trauma Psychologist at Will's Place-Ozark Center before starting Psych Associates in Springfield. He has shared his passion for psychology by teaching both graduate and undergraduate psychology courses.

SAY WELCOME TO OUR NEW FACES!

Not only do we have two new board members, but we also have a new Division Director at Professional Registration. Sheila Solon was appointed by Governor Parson on January 6, 2021 to be the guiding force behind our service to all licensed professionals and to the citizens of Missouri.



Sheila Solon

Originally from Chicago, Ms. Solon moved to Missouri over 30 years ago and brings a wealth of legislative and leadership experience with her into her new role as Division Director of Professional Registration. She had the unique distinction of being elected in the Missouri House of Representatives in two different districts. Her energy and dedication will be a model for us all.

STATISTICS FY 17-21

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|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| PROVISIONAL PSY LICENSED | 24 | 28 | 28 | 33 | 22 |
| TEMPORARY PSY LICENSED | 2 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
| PSY LICENSED BY RECIPROCITY | 28 | 11 | 11 | 18 | 18 |
| PSY LICENSED BY ENDORSEMENT | 10 | 12 | 12 | 17 | 9 |
| PSY LICENSED BY EXAM | 57 | 51 | 51 | 34 | 56 |
| COMPLAINTS OPENED | 22 | 17 | 30 | 16 | 22 |
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REMINDERS

LICENSE RENEWAL

Renewal time is upon us. All Missouri licensed psychologists must renew their licenses by January 31, 2022. As part of this renewal process, you will need to attest to completing the required 40 hours of continuing education. Per 20 CSR 2235-7.010:

(1) Every psychologist licensed in Missouri shall, complete for each two- (2-) year reporting cycle at least forty (40) hours, of accredited “continuing education credits” (herein CE credits) relevant to the practice of psychology. The continuing education reporting cycle is the twenty-four- (24-) month period beginning on December 1 of odd numbered years and ending on November 30 of odd numbered years. Continuing education credits earned after November 30 for the immediately preceding reporting cycle shall not be applied to the next two- (2-) year reporting cycle. (2) At least fifteen (15) of the forty (40) CE credits must be completed within Category A (i.e., formal programs which meet the requirements of 20 CSR 2235-7.030(1)(A)); and the remaining twenty-five (25) CE credits must be completed in either Category A or in Category B (i.e., informal programs or hours which meet the requirements of 20 CSR 2235-7.030(1)(B)).

There is no need to submit CE documentation unless you receive an audit letter requesting such. You simply attest to the completion of the required CE’s on the renewal form.

CONTACT INFORMATION UPDATES

Please make sure you have notified us of any address changes. Per 20 CSR 2235-1.060:

Within thirty (30) days of the effective date of the change, a licensee must inform the State Committee of Psychologists of all changes in the mailing address as it appears on the licensee’s license by contacting the office of the State Committee of Psychologists.

While the rule does not specifically mention e-mail addresses, it is very important that we have current e-mail addresses since that is our primary mode of communication with you. E-mail renewal notices have already begun. Per 20 CSR 2235-1.050:

Failure of a licensee to receive the notice and application to renew the license shall not excuse the licensee from the requirement of section 337.030, RSMo to renew the license.

MEDICATION STATEMENT



At the March 4, 2021 Committee meeting, the Committee reviewed the following medication recommendation statement made at the August 28, 1998 meeting.

Please be advised that it is the opinion of the Missouri State Committee of Psychologists that a Psychologist may offer a medication recommendation to the prescribing physician about a patient the psychologist has evaluated when such recommendation is an informed opinion based on the psychologist's education, training, supervised experience, or appropriate professional experience. It is then incumbent on the physician, based upon all of the evidence before him or her, which may include the recommendations of the psychologist, to decide what, if any, medication or medical treatment to prescribe.

Pursuant to Missouri Supreme Court case Missouri Association of Nurse Anesthetists, Inc., Glenn Kunkel, M. D., and Kevin Snyders, CRNA v. State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts, 343 S.W.3d 348 (Mo. June 28, 2011) (en banc), the State Committee rescinds its prior medication recommendation statement as the issuance of such an advisory opinion or recommendation by the Committee would constitute unpromulgated rulemaking. The Committee does support efforts on behalf of prescriptive authority for psychologists who select to undergo the appropriate training.

YOU CAN BANK ON IT

We here at the State Committee of Psychologists answer many calls from psychologists trying to locate copies of transcripts, post-doctoral supervision documentation, exam scores, or other long-forgotten paperwork needed when applying for licensure in another state, National Registry, or PSYPACT E Passports. It is no simple task for you to locate all those documents, especially if it's been several years since you were licensed, but it can be. Did you know that you have the opportunity to electronically "bank" those important documents for safe-keeping and ease of access? ASPPB Credentials Bank is one place you can bank those important credentials. Visit <https://www.asppb.net/page/TheBank> for more information.

MISSION STATEMENT



The Missouri State Committee of Psychologists protects the public from incompetence, misconduct, gross negligence, fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty; licenses only "qualified" professionals by examination and evaluation of minimum competency; enforces standards by implementing legislation and administrative rules; and encourages economic development and partnerships with existing small businesses.

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RULE UPDATES

The State Committee of Psychologists has had several amendments to the General Rules in the past year.

20 CSR 2235-1.050 has been amended to include the following paragraph:

The required renewal information, renewal fee, and information related to the psychologist's practice and demographics for the purpose of collecting psychology workforce data shall be submitted prior to the expiration date of the license.

This change went into effect April 30, 2021.

20 CSR 2235-1.020 has been amended to increase the Reactivation fee from \$150.00 to \$200.00. This change became effective May 30, 2021.

Also effective May 30, 2021, 20 CSR 2235-1.025, 20 CSR 2235-1.026, 20 CSR 2235-1.030, and 20 CSR 2235-1.031 were amended to simplify the language regarding the application for provisional, temporary, and full licensure and for HSP Certification.

20 CSR 2235-2.005 was amended to delete a paragraph on coursework grade guidelines. This change went into effect June 30, 2021.

Also taking effect June 30, 2021 is the amendment to 20 CSR 2235-2.070 which removed the requirement of a licensee seeking licensure by reciprocity to be licensed in a jurisdiction which is then a signatory to the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Board's reciprocity agreement.

20 CSR 2235-2.001 took effect July 30, 2021 and removes language requiring all documents and information being submitted to the board for review to be submitted no later than thirty days prior to a regularly scheduled meeting in order to be reviewed at that meeting.

20 CSR 2235-7.010 is effective as of September 30, 2021. In addition to simplification of the language regarding the reporting period and the language regarding "pro-rata" reduction of required credits, this amendment adds the following ethics requirement as part of the Continuing Education requirements:

(A) Three (3) of the forty (40) CE credits are to be in ethics (ethics credits). The three (3) ethics credits can be in either Category A or in Category B.

The rule change, 20 CSR 2235-7.010 (A), will not be implemented until the December 1, 2021 through November 30, 2023 Reporting Period. The change does not have to be complied with for the current renewal period which will renew licenses through January 31, 2024.

FAREWELL!



DR. SKRADE

Dr. Mark Skrade was appointed to the State Committee of Psychologists by Governor Matt Blunt on October 29, 2008 and served the Psychology community and citizens of Missouri until December 31, 2020. As part of his duties to the State Committee of Psychology, he also served on the Behavior Analyst Advisory Board. When he was recently presented a plaque by the Behavior Analyst Advisory Board and the State Committee of Psychologists commemorating his service, a fellow board member stated, “I could always look to Mark to be the balanced voice that easily moves to both sides of an issue and can help settle discussions when they get off track. Because of his tremendously broad knowledge and experience, I know more.”

Thank you, Dr. Skrade, for your many years of dedication and service. We wish you well in your future endeavors.



Pictured: Dr. Mark Skrade and Dr. Patrick Maloney, member of the State Committee of Psychologists, who presented Dr. Skrade with the beautiful plaque.

“This is Karla. How may I help you?” is what you have heard for the past three years when you’ve called with questions ranging from “How do I apply for a psychology license?” to “The dog ate my license. How do I get a replacement?”

Whatever your question or need, Karla has been there to provide assistance with professionalism and compassion. We wish Karla well in her new position as Executive Director for the Cosmetology and Barber Board here at the Division of Professional Registration.



KARLA JOHANSEN